Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 19 Jan 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 20 Jan 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 18 Jan 2023 at 15:53 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High

Headline for Thursday 19 Jan 2023: Windy with snow showers. Temporary blizzard conditions with a severe wind chill.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 19 Jan 2023

Blizzards
Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Medium Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain showers (night)	Light rain showers (night)	Light rain showers (night)	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow showers	Light snow	Light snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
50%	50%	50%	50%	60%	60%	60%	40%

Forecast for Thursday 19 Jan 2023

Weather: Mainly cloudy with snow showers overnight. Rather cloudy with snow showers or longer outbreaks of snow during daylight hours, rain at times low down. The snow occasionally heavy. Temporary blizzard conditions and severe wind chill. Occasional snow showers continuing during the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30%

Low cloud and visibility: Occasional or extensive cloud, base 600 to 900m in snow showers, lifting and breaking at times around the summits in drier spells. Visibility good or very good, falling poor or very poor in snow showers and cloud.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	26/31 W	27/34 W	32/41 W	36/45 W	37/47 NW	33/43 NW	26/34 NW	22/28 NW	17/22 NW
900	24/30 W	26/32 W	31/39 W	35/45 W	36/46 NW	32/41 NW	25/33 NW	21/27 NW	16/21 NW
600	14/20 W	16/23 W	20/29 W	22/33 W	24/34 NW	21/31 NW	17/25 NW	14/21 NW	10/15 NW
300	4/21 W	6/23 W	7/29 W	10/34 W	11/35 NW	10/31 NW	8/25 NW	6/20 NW	4/15 NW
Glen	7/15 W	8/17 W	12/24 W	15/30 NW	16/31 NW	15/29 NW	10/22 NW	6/16 NW	6/12 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-7/-16	-7/-16	-6/-16	-5/-15	-4/-14	-3/-13	-3/-12	-4/-11	-4/-11
900	-6/-15	-6/-15	-5/-15	-4/-14	-3/-13	-3/-11	-3/-11	-3/-10	-3/-10
600	-4/-11	-4/-10	-3/-11	-2/-9	-1/-8	-1/-7	-1/-7	-1/-6	-1/-6
300	-2/-5	-2/-5	-2/-5	0/-4	1/-4	1/-4	1/-3	1/-2	0/-2
Glen	1/-2	1/-3	2/-3	3/-2	4/-1	4/-1	4/0	3/0	3/1
Freezing Level*	00m	100m	100m	200m	400m	400m	500m	500m	500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Continuing winter hazards. Note higher freezing levels in the afternoon and evening with low level rain.

Forecast for Friday 20 Jan 2023
Weather: A few freezing fog patches possible in the glens and a scattering of light snow showers overnight. Otherwise a dry and bright day with good spells of sunshine and light winds. Cold with a frost persisting throughout.

Maximum wind: North or Northwest 15mph becoming Variable 10mph or less during the morning.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90%

Low cloud and visibility: Patches 600 to 900m in early snow showers, otherwise no significant cloud expected. Visibility mostly very good, except in any freezing fog and early snow showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Zero to Minus 8 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 3 to Minus 6
Freezing level: All levels

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